ABSOLUTE RATING: Good

IMPROVEMENT RATING: Below Average

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 89.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

Absolute Rating Good

Improvement Rating Below Average

2001 2002

2003

2004 (Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Mathematics

Basic

English/ Language Arts

Advanced

Proficient



Below Basic

DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=307)	85	68.7	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=46)	52.2	32.6		
Students without disabilities (n=261)	90.8	75.1		
Gender				
Male (n=139)	83.5	69.8		
Female (n=168)	86.3	67.9		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=61)	63.9	49.2		
Hispanic (n=4)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=240)	90	73.8		
Other (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=134)	75.4	59.7		
Pay for lunch (n=173)	92.5	75.7		

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
 Dollars spent per student 	\$4,420	N/A	\$5,073	\$5,347
 Prime instructional time 	94.2%	Down from 94.4%	% 90.2%	90.2%
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	18.9 to 1	N/A	18.9 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=673)				
Attendance Rate	96.8%	Up from 96.7%	96.2%	96.2%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level 	7.5%	N/A	3.7%	4.1%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level 	7.2%	N/A	2.7%	3.1%
 First graders who attended full day kindergarten 	93.5%	Up from 91.7%	96.1%	96.3%
 Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate	5.7%	Up from 4.2%	3.4%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=42)				
 Professional Development days per teacher 	5.3 Days	Down from 5.7	7.2 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	97.7%	Down from 98.1%	% 95.1%	95.1%
 Teachers with advanced degrees 	57.1%	Down from 60%	48.7%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	88.1%	Up from 82.5%	82.9%	83.8%
Teachers with out-of-field permits	2.4%	Down from 2.5%	0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	96.2%	Up from 93.2%	87.7%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$38,771	Up 4.0%	\$37,931	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
 Percentage of expenditure spent on teacher salaries 	s 63.8%	N/A	65.3%	65.3%
 Principal's years at the school 	19	N/A	4	4.0
 Parents attending conferences 	92.3%	N/A	96.8%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	N/A	N/A	42.2%	43.1%
 On academic probation 	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
 Older than usual for grade 	0.4%	Up from 0%	1.1%	1.1%
 Suspended or expelled 	32	N/A	1	1
 Gifted and talented 	19.2%	Up from 12.1%	14%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	11.6%	Up from 10.6%	9.2%	8.4%

PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Community support continues to be excellent as we comtinue to improve. The School Improvement Council is working to involve the total community in all school activities.

We are concerned with the lack of effort we see from a few students but pleased with the relationships established with all students by our staff. Seeing students attitudes change and become more concerned about themselves is truly rewarding for educators. I am extremely pleased with the love and dedication of the total staff of this school. Getting to know each student as an individual and finding ways to help each student be successful is always a goal in this school. Glenn Wright,Principal



Gateway Elementary 200 Hawkins RD. Travelers Rest. SC 29690

Grades K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 673 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School	
Report Card	

2001

School Grade: Good

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

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Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	100.0	86.9	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	97.3	85.4	
Satisfied with home-school relations	94.4	86.6	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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